

REMARKS

The Examiner's Action mailed on June 27, 2005 has been received and its contents carefully considered.

In this Amendment, Applicants have amended the specification and claim 1 editorially to correct informalities noted during the review. Claim 1 is an independent claim. Claims 1-6 are now pending in the application. For at least the following reasons, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, FIRST PARAGRAPH

Claims 1-6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. In this Office Action, the examiner asserts that the "rotatably fit" limitation introduced in the prior amendment is new matter. Applicant respectfully traverses as the hinge spindle is clearly rotating relative to the hinge hole.

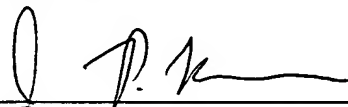
Nonetheless, in order to expedite prosecution, independent claim 1 has been amended to indicate that when the display unit is closed and opened with respect to the base unit, the first hinge hole of the display unit accordingly rotates relative to the second hinge spindle of the hinge structure fixed on the base unit. This is clearly supported by Applicant's specification and drawings. For example, page 6, lines 4-6 states that "the display unit 204 can be closed to and opened from the base unit 202 after hinge spindle 210a and 210b having been fit into hinge holes 214a and 214b as illustrated in FIG. 2B." As such, clearly no new matter problem is raised from the amendment. It is submitted that the rejection of claims 1-6 should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. The amendment was made to expedite the prosecution of this application. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections of the amended claims and reserves the right to re-introduce them and claims of an equivalent scope in a continuation application.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned counsel at the number set out below.

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